DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

English Communication and Literature Degree

Major Code: 011159A01

This degree emphasizes verbal and written communication skills, and the study of literature. It offers a general background in communication skills which may be used in the workplace. In addition to earning the degree, students who work closely with their counselor may also fulfill significant lower-division requirements of four-year colleges/universities in English Composition, Literature and Communication.

Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this program, the student will be able to:

• apply the elements of style in writing.
• evaluate premises, both explicitly stated and implied.
• maximize communication effectiveness by planning and adapting to specific audiences.
• write analytically about literature.
• examine fiction as a reflection of the authors' cultures and values.

Requirements for Degree 18 Units

A minimum of 3 units from the following: .......................................................... 3

ENGWR 301 College Composition and Literature (3)
or ENGWR 481 Honors College Composition and Literature (3)
ENGWR 302 Advanced Composition and Critical Thinking (3)
or ENGWR 482 Honors Advanced Composition and Critical Thinking (3)
ENGWR 303 Argumentative Writing and Critical Thinking Through Literature (3)
SPEECH 301 Public Speaking (3)
SPEECH 331 Group Discussion (3)
SPEECH 361 The Communication Experience (3)

And a minimum of 12 units from the following: .................................................. 12

ENGL 300 Introduction to Fiction (3)
ENGL 304 Introduction to Poetry (3)
ENGL 308 The Graphic Novel and Manga (3)
ENGL 310 English Literature I (3)
ENGL 311 English Literature II (3)
ENGL 320 American Literature I (3)
ENGL 321 American Literature II (3)
ENGL 327 Literature of California (3)
ENGL 335 Latino, Mexican-American, and Chicano Literature (3)
ENGL 338 Native American Literature (3)
ENGL 340 World Literature I (3)
ENGL 341 World Literature II (3)
ENGL 345 Mythologies of the World (3)
ENGL 360 Women in Literature (3)
ENGL 365 Introduction to Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Literature (3)
ENGL 370 Children and Literature (3)
ENGL 378 Young Adult Literature (3)
ENGL 380 Introduction to Shakespeare (3)
ENGL 382 Introduction to Dramatic Literature (3)
ENGL 392 Science Fiction and Fantasy (3)
ENGL 403 Film Adaptations (3)

Degrees: A.A. - English Communication and Literature

A.A. - History of the Creative Arts

A.A. - The Individual and Society

Certificates: CSU General Education

Honors Transfer

Intersegmental General Education Transfer (IGETC)

A minimum of 3 additional units chosen from either of the groups of courses listed above.

Associate Degree Requirements: The English Communication and Literature Associate in Arts (A.A.) degree may be obtained by completion of the required program, plus general education requirements, plus sufficient electives to meet a 60-unit total. See ARC graduation requirements.

History of the Creative Arts Degree

Major Code: 011160A01

This degree provides an area of emphasis in the arts and humanities. It is intended for students who plan to transfer to a four-year college or university to earn a baccalaureate degree.

Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this program, the student will be able to:

• recognize the role of the arts in society.
• analyze the influences of social, political and ethnic issues on the arts.
• compare and contrast styles of artistic expressions.
• assess the historical, artistic, social, and philosophical environments in an artistic genre.

Requirements for Degree 18 Units

A minimum of 18 units from the following: .......................................................... 18

ARTH 300 Introduction to Art (3)
ARTH 302 Art: Stone Age Through the Middle Ages (3)
ARTH 308 Renaissance Tradition in Art (3)
ARTH 310 Modern Art (3)
ARTH 322 Art History of the Non-Western World (3)
ARTH 333 Introduction to Islamic Art (3)
ARTH 334 International Contemporary Art (3)
ARTNM 305 History of Graphic Design (3)
FASHN 330 History of Western World Fashion (3)
HUM 300 Classical Humanities (3)
HUM 301 Introduction to the Humanities (3)
HUM 302 Global Humanities: Atheism in Creativity, Thought, and Inspiration Traditions (3)
HUM 310 Modern Humanities (3)
HUM 320 Asian Humanities (3)
HUM 324 Global Islam: Culture and Civilization (3)
HUM 326 Middle Eastern Humanities (3)
HUM 330 Humanities of the Americas (3)
HUM 355 Introduction to World Religions (3)
HUM 360 Introduction to the Old Testament (The Hebrew Bible) (3)
HUM 365 Introduction to the New Testament (3)
MUFHL 300 Introduction to Music (3)
MUFHL 308 Introduction to Music: Rock & Roll (3)
MUFHL 310 Survey of Music History and Literature (Greek Antiquity to 1750) (3)
MUFHL 311 Survey of Music History and Literature (1750 to the present) (3)
MUFHL 315 Jazz History (3)
MUFHL 330 World Music (3)
The Individual and Society Degree

Major Code: 011161A01

This degree provides an area of emphasis in the effects of culture, religion, ethnicity, and gender on individuals living in a global society. It is designed for students wishing to work more effectively with others in the workplace. Students who work closely with their counselor can use this area of emphasis to prepare for majoring at a four-year college in Psychology, Sociology, Ethnic Studies, Women's Studies, and Child Development.

Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this program, the student will be able to:

• examine human diversity in relation to psychological theory.
• identify the consequences of ethnocentrism and gender bias on social interactions.
• analyze the influence of culture, family, society, and environment on an individual's development.
• analyze patterns of social problems which are based on ethnic and cultural differences in the United States.

Requirements for Degree 18 Units

A minimum of 18 units from the following:

TA 300 Introduction to the Theatre (3)
TA 302 History and Theory of the Theatre I (3)
TA 303 History and Theory of the Theatre II (3)
TA 306 Diversity in American Drama (1960 to Present) (3)
TAFILM 300 Introduction to Film (3)
TAFILM 302 History of Film (3)
TAFILM 303 History of Film: 1880's through 1950's (3)
TAFILM 304 History of Film: 1950's to Present (3)
TAFILM 307 Diversity in American Film (3)
TAFILM 320 Cinema Genres (3)

Associate Degree Requirements: The History of the Creative Arts Associate in Arts (A.A.) Degree may be obtained by completion of the required program, plus general education requirements, plus sufficient electives to meet a 60-unit total. See ARC graduation requirements.

CSU General Education Certificate

Major Code: 011132C01

This certificate is designed for students planning to transfer to a California State University (CSU) campus. Completion of this certificate ensures that the student has met the lower division General Education requirements for all CSU campuses.

Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this certificate program, the student will be able to:

• explain the values of a culture as expressed through its art or language.
• demonstrate effective expository and persuasive writing skills.
• develop a reasoned solution to a problem.
• evaluate new and accepted ideas about the natural universe using testable methodology.
• evaluate the methods of inquiry and evidence used in the behavioral and social sciences.

Requirements for Certificate 39 Units

A minimum of 39 units from the following:

TA 300 Introduction to the Theatre (3)
TA 302 History and Theory of the Theatre I (3)
TA 303 History and Theory of the Theatre II (3)
TA 306 Diversity in American Drama (1960 to Present) (3)
TAFILM 300 Introduction to Film (3)
TAFILM 302 History of Film (3)
TAFILM 303 History of Film: 1880's through 1950's (3)
TAFILM 304 History of Film: 1950's to Present (3)
TAFILM 307 Diversity in American Film (3)
TAFILM 320 Cinema Genres (3)

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Intersegmental General Education Transfer (IGETC) Certificate
Major Code, CSU: 011132C02
Major Code, UC: 011132C03

This certificate is designed for students planning to transfer to a California State University (CSU) or University of California (UC) campus. It ensures that the student has met the lower division General Education/Breadth requirements for all CSU and UC campuses.

Student Learning Outcomes
Upon completion of this certificate program, the student will be able to:
• explain the values of a culture as expressed through its art or language.
• demonstrate effective expository and persuasive writing skills.
• develop a reasoned solution to a problem.
• evaluate new and accepted ideas about the natural universe using testable methodology.
• evaluate the methods of inquiry and evidence used in the behavioral and social sciences.

Requirements for Certificate 34 - 37 Units
A minimum of 34-37 units from the following: ..........................................................34-37

Students must complete a minimum of 34 - 37 units used to satisfy IGETC certification requirements. See the IGETC pattern in the American River College (ARC) catalog or consult with an ARC counselor.

Honors Transfer Certificate
Major Code: 011133C01
The American River College (ARC) Honors Program is a community of students and faculty who are dedicated to the pursuit of intellectual and personal enrichment in a diverse and challenging academic environment. Students with a cumulative GPA of 3.2 or better who have completed at least 15 units of approved Honors coursework earn a Certificate of Achievement noted on the transcript. A maximum of 6 units of Honors coursework may be transferred from other colleges. Some courses may need to be petitioned. A total of 12 units of degree-applicable coursework must be earned at ARC to meet residency requirements. Most courses in the certificate fulfill requirements for the ARC A.A., A.S., A.A.-T., A.S.-T. degrees, the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC), and the CSU General Education Certification Pattern. Check with an ARC counselor for exceptions. Completion of the certificate with a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.2 or better allows students to take advantage of transfer agreements with highly selective colleges and universities through the Honors Transfer Council of California and to participate in the Transfer Alliance Program at UCLA. Honors students must meet with a counselor to ensure completion of ARC graduation and/or transfer requirements. In addition, Honors students should meet regularly with an Honors faculty advisor to ensure completion of the Honors certificate in a timely fashion.

Student Learning Outcomes
Upon completion of this certificate program, the student will be able to:
• analyze the broad areas of human knowledge that contribute to purposeful and meaningful lives
• incorporate argumentative reasoning and logic involved in the process of advanced problem solving in an academic setting
• investigate advanced methods of inquiry and analysis employed in a variety of disciplines
• justify personal accomplishments as a highly motivated, self-directed individual in an advanced academic setting
• demonstrate cultural competence in a diverse academic setting

Requirements for Certificate 15 Units
A minimum of 15 units from the following: .................................................................15

ANTH 480  Honors Biological Anthropology (3)
ANTH 481  Honors Cultural Anthropology (3)
ASTR 481  Honors Astronomy: Stars, Galaxies, and Cosmology (4)
BIOL 482  Honors Marine Biology (4)
CISP 480  Honors Introduction to Structured Programming (5)
ENGWR 480  Honors College Composition (3)
ENGWR 481  Honors College Composition and Literature (3)
ENGWR 482  Honors Advanced Composition and Critical Thinking (3)
HIST 480  History of Western Civilization - Honors (3)
HIST 481  History of Western Civilization - Honors (3)
HIST 483  History of the United States - Honors (3)
HIST 484  History of the United States - Honors (3)
NUTRI 481  Honors - Cultural Foods of the World (3)
POLS 480  Introduction to International Relations - Honors (3)
POLS 481  Introduction to Government: United States - Honors (3)
PSYC 480  Honors General Principles (3)
PSYC 481  Honors Abnormal Behavior (3)
SOC 480  Introductory Sociology - Honors (3)